



**CERTIFICATE
OF
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

(Made under S.76 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2015)

This is to certify that **THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2024** has been examined for financial implications as required under section 76 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2015 (as amended).

I wish to report as follows:

1) Objectives of the Bill

The main object of the Bill is to give effect to the Government Policy for Rationalization of Government Agencies and Public Expenditure (RAPEX) which was adopted by the Cabinet on 22nd February, 2021.

The specific objectives of the Bill are:

- i. To merge, mainstream and rationalize the functions of the National Identification and Registration Authority (NIRA) thereby, *inter alia*, relieving the Government of the financial drain on its resources and the burden of wasteful administration and expenditure;
- ii. To facilitate efficient and effective service delivery by clearly delineating the mandates and functions of National Identification and Registration Authority and thereby avoiding duplication of mandates and functions;
- iii. To promote coordinated administrative arrangements, policies and procedures for efficient and successful management, financial accounting and budgetary discipline of government agencies and departments, enable Government to play its proper role more effectively and enforce accountability; and
- iv. To eliminate bloated structures and functional ambiguities in Government agencies and departments.

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2) **Expected Outputs**

The Bill will amend the Registration of Persons Act, 2015 (Act 4 of 2015) to empower the National Identification and Registration Authority to administer and give effect to the laws on civil registration including the Children Act, Cap. 59, the Customary Marriage (Registration) Act, Cap. 248; and the Marriage Act, Cap 251.

3) **Funding and Budgetary Implications**

There are no direct costs envisaged for the transfer of the services of Civil registration related to the registration of Marriages, hitherto under the Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB) to the National Identification and Registration Authority (NIRA), as the budget for the unit to cater for salaries of the 9 staff and operations, currently at **Shs.748,256,000**, will be shifted from URSB and form part of the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework for NIRA.

The total costs for the delivery of civil registration are estimated at **Shs.1,729,062,690**, for the required Wage based on the approved staff structure by the Ministry of Public Service, corresponding NSSF, Gratuity and operational costs to cater for the promotion of stakeholder awareness and participation in civil registration services, sensitization on marriages, strengthening processes and enhancing the integrity of the marriage register. The additional costs of **Shs.980,806,690** will have to be provided by Government from the realized savings and included in the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework of NIRA.

4) **Expected savings and/or Revenue to Government**

There are no anticipated savings arising from transfer of the services of Civil registration hitherto under the Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB) to the National Identification and Registration Authority (NIRA) as it is resource neutral.

5) **Impact to the Economy**

The Bill is expected to improve efficiency through reduction of costs of public service delivery in the long-run by eliminating duplication of services and maximization of inter-related departments for civil registration to be under NIRA. In addition,

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this will increase Government effectiveness in revenue generation by the National Identification and Registration Authority. The expected savings and revenues will be redirected to more productive services and sectors of the economy, hence improved service delivery and economic growth.

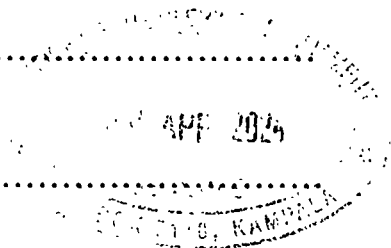
Submitted under my hand this 27th day of March, 2024.


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